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Sir:

A Request for Continued Examination accompanies this Amendment.

Applicants request that the period for response be extended three months through and including October 30, 2008, the fees for which have been paid at the time this Amendment was filed.

In response to the Office Action dated April 30, 2008, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: